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MINUTES

OF THE

Twenty-ninth Annual Session

OF THE

Durham Primitive Baptist Association

(COLORED)

HELD WITH THE

Church at Pine Hill, Person County, N. C.

Saturday, Sunday and Monday,

August 4, 5 and 6,

1917

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... Proceedings ...

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder W. E. Slade from Isaiah 26:1. After an intermission of one hour and a half, the Association convened in the house. The association was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Georgè Robbins and then proceeded to business .Elder Wesley Henderson was chosen Moderator, W. E. Slade Clerk who called to his assistance Brother S. A. Bass.

The roll of churches were called and all were present. A Committee of arrangements were appointed, namely: Brothers Joe Graves, J. H.Smith. C. M. Wells, G. W. Cobb and Elder S. M. Harris. Committee of Finance. Correspondents were invited to take seats with us, where upon the following were received: From Little Kehukie Association, Elders Thomas Dickens, John Connie, Richard Lawrence. Visitors. From Turner's Swamp Asscciation, Elders Geo. Robbins, Charlie Hagins.

The rules of decorum were read and the letters of the several churches and their standing minuted in the statistical table. Elders Richard Lawrence and John Connie preached afternoon, Saturday, and brethren C. C. Holman and John Lawson, at night. Adjourned till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

Sunday morning, ten o'clock—The following Elders being chosen preachd, Elder Geo. Robinson open morning Service from St. John 3:11. Thomas Dickens closed morning services from Palsms of Solomon 5:3. Elder W. E. Slade opened evening services from St. John 5:12. Elder Wesley Henderson closed evening services from Exodus 4:1 Elders Chas. Hogins and S. M. Harris Preached Sunday night.

Monday morning nine o,clock—The Association met according to adjournment, and after singing and prayer by Elder Thomas Dickens, Proceeded to business. The roll of churches were called, and all were present. The report of the Committee on arrangments and finance were called for. Their reports were received and they were discharged. Elders Thos. Dickens and R. Lawrence closed Monday Morning services.

The circular letter written by Brother Will Thompson. was read and ordered attached to the minutes. Elder S M. Harris was chosen to write the next Circular letter.

Ministers chosen to attend section meettings generally attended

Durham church agreed to take a section meeting in Durham Co., N. C., commencing on Friday before the First Sunday in April 1918. Elders S. M. Harris and W. E Slade with the pastor of the church to hold the same Danbury Church three miles west of Reidsville. N. C., agreed to take another commencing on Friday before the third Sunday in April, 1918, Elders S. M. Harris, and Wesley Henderson with the pastor of the church.

Elders Wesley and Henderson W. E. Slade were chosen visitors to sister Associations namely: Little Kehukie and Turner Swamp. to convene Second and Third Sunday in October 1917.

Agreed to hold the next Association with the church at White Oak, Orange Co., N. C., eight miles N. E. of Mebane, N. C. commencing on Saturday before the First Sunday in August 1918, Elder S. M. Harris to preach the introductory sermon, Elder W. E Slade. alternate.

Names of Ordained Ministers—W. E. Slade, 619 Lee St., Greensboro, N. C., Wesley Henderson, 704 E. Pettigrew St., Durham, N. C.; S. M. Harris, Virgilina, Va., R. F. D.

Licentiates— J. C. Holeman, Durham, N. C. Albert Hooper Reidsville, N.. C., James Harris, Virgilina, Va., R. F. D. Jacob Lawson, Maybenry, W. Va.; Moses Shaw, Durham, N. C. Carl Royister, Virgilna, Va., R. F. D. John Lawson, Riedsville, N. C. Dismissed in order Wesley Henderson Moderator, W. E Slade, Clerk, S. A. Bass, Assistant Clerk.

CIRCULAR LETTER

Route No. 3, Mebane, N. C., July 30, 1917.

Brethren, it being your choice that I should write a letter to be read at this Association, and it approved to be attached our minutes; but feeling my weakness, I dread to attempt it. However, I will write according as it impresses me. You will find by reading the Bible that the people of God are peculiar people. zealous of all works. I think by that they should act differently from other people, but I hardly can see any difference. Brethren, we ought ta let our lights shine that men

may see our good works and glorify God which is in heaven, that we may be found worthy worthy when He comes. Brethren, we ought to love one another and bear each others' burdens. Brethren, I will cite your mind to the 9th chapter of the acts: And as Saul journeyed he came near Damascus and suddenly there shined around about him a light from heaven and he fell to the earth and heard a voice saying unto him: "Saul, Saul, why persecuteth thou me." And he said, "Who art thou Lord and the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecuteth" Now brethren, when that light shined around about me I said if I felt that way when death comes, it will be enough for me. For fear that I may worry you I will close.

Written by one who believes that Jesus Christ saved his people before the world began.

Yours in hope of eternal life,
WILL THOMPSON

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	MESSENGERS	Baptised by Letter	Received by Letter	Dismissed by letter	Lost by Error	Excluded	Deceased	Restored	No. in Fellowship	Conrribntion
Durham	David Amey, Eld. Henderson	2	...	...	...	...	4	...	83	$6.00
Mill Grove	C. C. Holemon, Moses Shaw..	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	36	3.00
White Oak	C. M. Wills, Will Thompson	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	2.50
New Center	Joe Graves, G. W. Cobb	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	60	6.00
Danbury	J. H. Smith, John Lawson	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	3.00
Pine Hill	G. W. Vanhook, M. Mitchell	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46	4.00
Mt. Moriah	A. L. Harris, R. Jenkins	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	41	5.00
Mt. Pisgah	I. P. Hayes, E. Terrell	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	16	3.00
Phillippi	Sam King, E. Cobb	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	2.00

Total receipts $41.40

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing 1,000 copies of minutes	$ 7.00
Clerk fee	7.00
Assistant Clerk fee	1.00
Distribution of minutes	.75
Paid ministers	25.65
Total Expenditures	$41.40

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FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

Durham Colored

Primitive Baptist Association

Held With the

CHURCH AT MT. MORIAH

Granville County

Saturday, Sunday and Monday

August 6th, 7th and 8th, 1932

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PROCEEDINGS

THE introductory sermon was preached by Elder C. M. Wells, text, Micah 7:6, followed by sermon by Brother John Lawson, whose text was taken from St. John, 4:2.

After an intermission of one and a half hours, the Association met in the house. After singing and prayer by Elder A. Hyman, it then proceeded to business.

Elder C. M. Wells was chosen Moderator; Brother S. A. Bass, Clerk; Brother G. B. Bass, Assistant Clerk.

The roll of the churches was called and all reported present. A committee on arrangements for preaching was chosen as follows: Bros. Joe Graves, Albert Graves, and J. H. Smith. Bros. A. L. Harris and J. A. Umstead, finance committee. Correspondence was called for and Elder A. Hyman and Bro. James Dickens from Little Kehukee were seated with the minutes. Elder George Robbins and C. H. Haggans from Turner Swamp Association read their minutes. Elders C. M. Wells and A. L. Cooper were chosen to attend the Little Kehukee and also the Turner Swamp Associations.

The rules of decorum were read and the letters of the several churches were read and minuted in the statistical table. The Moderator sent Elder James Dickens and Bro. E. R. Ferrell to the stand Saturday P. M. to preach to the people. Elder Dickens opened the services using the text, St. John 15:1 and 2, followed by Bro. Ferrell whose text was St. John 1:3. Bro. E. Neal spoke, but had no special text. Bro. A. Hooper closed with the text St. John 12:4. On Saturday Elder Dorcia Battle opened, his text being St. John 1:1. The night service was closed by Bro. M. Cooper who took his text from St. John 1:3.

Sunday morning the following elders preached: Rev. A. Hyman opened the services, using for his text Matthew 11:3. Elder Dickens followed. His text was Joel 2:1. Elder Robbins' text was Romans 8:37. Bro. John Toran closed with the text, Isiah 26: 1-2. Sunday afternoon, Elder Haggans opened the services with Isiah 40:1, being his text, followed by Elder Hayes whose text was Psalm 23:30.

Sunday at 5 p. m., Elder Darsey Battle preached from Matthew 1:3, followed by Bro. Otho Hawkins, taking his text from St. John, 6:13. Elder Wells closed the services with no special text.

On Sunday night Bro. Henry Leathers opened, his text being taken from Psalms 9:2. St. James 2:1 was the text of Bro. C. H. Royster's discourse.

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Monday, A. M.—At nine o'clock the Association met according to appointment. After singing and prayer by Elder James Dickens, the roll of churches was called and all answered present. The Committee on Arrangements and Finance Committee made their reports which were received. The committees were then discharged. The section meetings appointed last year were generally attended and those who did not were excused.

The Church at Hayti, Durham, North Carolina, called for the next section meeting beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in April, 1933, and to be attended by Elders C. M. Wells and A. L. Cooper. Another will be held with the Church at Pine Hill, Person County, Northt Carolina, beginning on Friday before the 4th Sunday in April, 1933. This is to be attended by Elders C. M. Wells and I. P. Hayes.

It was agreed to hold the next Association with the Church at Mt. Pisgah, Greensboro, North Carolina, beginning on Saturday before the first Sunday in August, 1933. Elder C. M. Wells was chosen to preach the Introductory Sermon with Elder I. P. Hayes, alternate.

The Circular Letter prepared by Bro. S. A. Bass was read and received. Bro. E. Neal was chosen to write the next Circular Letter.

The Durham Association desires to keep up correspondence with the upper country line association by minutes.

We desire to extend thanks to the people of this community for their hospitality shown us during this setting. The Conference closed in order.

C. M. Wells, Moderator
S. A. Bass, Clerk
G. B. Bass, Assistant Clerk

Circular Letter

The Durham Primitve Baptist Association
To The Churches Of Which She Is Composed:

Dear Brethern In The Lord:

Grace, mercy and peace be multiplied according to our custom. We again present for your consideration our annual Circular upon the important subject, "The Union Between Christ and the Church, a sub-

ject fraught with much comfort to the Christian when properly understood It is a subject that we regard as the foundation upon which the economy of salvation rests and from which all the blessed consequences of that salvation flow. We would then remark that in view of the union between Christ and the Church spiritually we believe it to be eternal that God the Father did choose His people in Christ before the foundation of the world, and they were then and there blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ. Eph. 1:3-4. And if blessed with all spiritual blessings, then there was no spiritual blessing left out.

We maintained that election, redemption, justification, sanctification, faith and repentance were among the number of spiritual blessings. We also learn from 2nd Timothy 1:9 that God gave His people grace in Christ before the world began. It is evident that His people were in Christ spiritually before the world began, or grace could not have been given them there The same truth is clearly proven by the Savior's own language in St. John 17:23—And now in this relation it is said in truth He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath He seen perverseness in Israel.—Numbers 23:21. The spouse could also say in truth, "I am comely." Psalms 1:5. The husband could say, "Truly, thou art all fair, my love. There is no spot in thee." Psalms 4:7. Therefore in view of this glorious truth, the apostle said, "And ye are complete in Him." Now if the apostle had said, "Ye shall be complete in Him," it would have changed the feature of the subject very much But he says, "Ye are" in the present tense

Now, we cannot suppose for a moment that any of the foregoing passages refer to the church in her fallen and corrupt state, but refer particularly to her in a justified state, viewed in the righteousness of Christ, who of God is made unto her wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption.

Dear Brethern, we must conclude that as long as Christ has been the head, so long has the church been the body united to the head as long as He has been the husband, so long has the church been the bride. As long as He has been the Shepherd, so long has His people been the sheep in His care and as long as He has been recognized as the great law-fulfiller, so long has there been a people for whom He was acknowledged Savior. These things as we understand them, were all conceived in the womb of eternity but in due time were made manifest according to the eternal purpose which He proposed in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Eph. 3:11.

Yours in hope,
S. A. Bass

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CHURCHES	NAMES OF MESSENGERS
DURHAM	S. A. Bass, O. V. Love and George Mebane
MILL GROVE	J. A. Umstead M. Shaw and Ed Bass
WHITE OAK	E. R. Rodges, James Wade and W. Toran
DANBURY	G. B. Bass and J. H. Smith
NEW CENTER	Joe Graves and Albert Graves
PINE HILL	Nat Barnett and Ira Tapp
MT. MORIAH	A. L. Harris and George Morton
MT. PISGAH	E. Neal and C. H. Tapp
PHILLIPPI	A. Brown and J. Cobb

Total Receipts From Churches .....

From Other Sources .....

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Paid Traveling Ministers .....

Printing 500 Copies of Minutes .....

Clerk Fee .....

Lumber .....

Water and Ice .....

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PORT OF MEETING

	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Membership	Contributions
	0	0	0	0	0	3	58	$10.00
	9	1	2	0	0	1	39	5.00
	0	0	1	0	1	0	33	7.00
	0	0	0	0	0	3	26	10.00
	2	0	0	0	0	0	60	6.00
	0	0	0	0	0	1	37	10.00
	0	0	0	0	0	2	53	10.00
	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	4.50
	0	0	1	0	0	0	16	2.50

Total $65.00

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Total 20.95

SEMENTS

..... $47.45

..... 18.00

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..... 3.00

..... 7.50

Total $85.95

Treasury

NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Elder I. P. Hayes, R. F. D. No. 3, Burlington, N C.
Elder C. M. Wells, R. F. D. No 2, Cedar Grove, N. C.
Elder A. L Cooper, R. F. D No. 2, Virgilina, Va.

LICENTIATES

M. G. Shaw, Stagsville, N. C. Albert Hooper, Reidsville, N. C.
E. R. Ferrell, Greensboro, N. C.; A. R. Neal, R. F. D. No. 4 Greensboro
Henry Leathers, R F. D. No. 2, Durham, N C.
Joe Graves, R. F D No. 5, Reidsville, N. C.
Willis Umstead, Durham, N. C John Lawson, Reidsville, N. C.
Ed Harris, R. F. D. No 2, Durham, N. C.
S. A. Bass, Clerk, 507 Bloom Place
G. B. Bass, Asst. Clerk, Reidsville, N. C.

PRINCIPLES OF FAITH

We, the Messengers of the several churches composing the Durham Primitive Baptist Association, agree for the satisfaction of our brethern and friends, to publish an abstract of the principles of faith upon which we unite and will endeavor, with the help of the Lord, to maintain.

1. We believe in the being of God Almighty Eternal, unchangeable, of infinite wisdom, power, justice, holiness goodness mercy and truth; and that this God has revealed Himself in His word under the character of Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that Almighty God has made known His mind and will to the children of men in His world, which world we believe to be divine authority and contain all things necessary to be known for the salvation of men, the same is comprehended or contained in the Books of the old and New Testaments.

3. We believe that God, before the foundation of the world for the purpose of his own glory, did elect a certain number of men and angels to eternal life, and that election is particular and unconditional on the Creator's part.

4. We believe that when God made man he was good and upright, but by his own transgression he fell from the good and upright state and being the head and representative of the whole human race, being natural offspring, he involved all of them in the same ruined sta e with himself and they are partakers of and exposed to the miseries which sprang from his disobedience.

5. We believe that it is utterly out of the power of man as a fallen creature to keep the law of God perfectly, or to truly repent of his sins, or to believe in Christ, except to be drawn by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe that in God's own appointed time and way the elect will be called, justified, pardoned and sanctified, and that it is impossible that they utterly refuse the call, but shall be willing by divine grace to receive mercy.

7. We believe that justification in the sight of God is only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, received and appointed by faith.

8. We believe that God's elect will be converted and born again by the effectual working of the holy spirit.

9. We believe that those who are called by grace and born again, persevere in holiness and never fall finally away

10. We believe it is the duty incumbent on all God's people to religiously, not in the old covenant way of seeking life and the favor of the Lord by it, but only as a duty from the principle of love.

11. We believe in baptism and the Lord's Supper as gospel ordinances, both belonging to the converted as true believers

12. We believe every church is independent in matters of discipline,

and that association councils and conferences of ministers or churches are not impose on the church the keeping, holding or maintaining any principle of practice contrary to the church judgment.

13. We believe in the general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust, and the final judgment.

14. We believe that no minister has the right to administer ordinances unless he is called and comes under the watch[illegible] of [illegible] by the presbytery

Lastly we believe [illegible] the mutual comfort, union and satisfaction of the several churches of the aforesaid faith and order, we ought to meet in an Association capacity wherein each church ought to be represented by the messengers to advise each other in conference.

MINUTES

of the

Forty-Sixth Annual Session

of the

Durham Colored

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT NEW CENTER

Caswell County, North Carolina

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Order of Preaching

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder A. L. Cooper with a text from Jer. 40:4. He was followed by Elder Robbins, whose text Was St. John, 8:37. Saturday at 2 p. m: Brother W: M: Thompson opened services with a text from St. John 5:7. Elder M. C. Cooper followed with Isiah 40:1 as his text. Elder Otha Hawkins closed the services using as HIS text Rev: 22:3.

Saturday night Brother Henry Leathers opened the meeting with a text from St. John 14:3. He was followed by Brother Willis Umstead, whose text was Math. 6:3 Brother J. L: Toran who followed used as his text Isiah 38:8 Elder W. J. Jackson closed the session with no special text as a theme:

Sunday, at ten o'clock, C. H. Haggin opened with the text Isiah 55:7 Elder M. C. Cooper was next with a text, Songs of Solomen, 1:1: He was followed by Elder Robbins whose text was Psalms, 23:4. Elder C. M: Wells closed with a text from, Romans 8:2.

Sunday, at two o'clock Elder James Dickens opened with a text Joel, 1:1. Elder A. Hyman followed with Psalms 22:3 as his text: Elder G: W: Hill who came next used as his text Phillipians 3:3. Elder Trent closed with a text from Isiah 43:1. Sunday, at five o'clock Elder W. J. Jackson preached from a text Romans 11:28. Elder I. P. Hayes closed with his text psalms, 22:30:

Sunday night Brother E. Neal opened services with no special text. He was followed by Brother W. M. Thompson with Matt: 25:2 as his text: Brother A. Hooper closed with St. John 12:8.

Monday morning at nine, Elder E. R. Terrell opened services with Mark 1:1 as his Text. Elder A. L. Cooper followed with his text Gen: 1:2: Elder Robbinsons closed with no special text for his theme.

Monday morning business sessions were opened by prayer led by Elder James Dickens. The roll call of the churches was made and all reported present. The committee on arrangements and finance made their reports, which were received, and the committee discharged.

The sectional meeting appointment last year was generally attended, with those not attending, being duly excused.

Proceedings

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder A. L. Cooper, whose text was Isiah, 40:4. He was followed by Elder Robbins with a text from St.. John, 6:39: After an hour and a half intermission the Association convened for its afternoon session with praise and prayer by Elder C. H. Haggins. It then proceeded to business.

Elder C. M. Wells was chosen Moderator, with brother S. A: Bass selected as Clerk. Brother Bass called brother G. B. Bass to assist him: The roll of the churches was called and all reported present. Brothers James Wade and C. H. Tapp were chosen as committee of finance. Brothers Joe Graves, E. B. Rogers and J. H. Smith were selected as the committee of arrangements of preaching.

Correspondence was called for. Elders A. Hyman and James Dickens, of the Little Kehuekee Association were received and seated. Elders C. H. Haggin, George Robbins and M. C. Cooper, of the Turner Swamp Association were received. Partitionary letters were called for, Gethesamehe's Letter was received, Elder W. J. Jackson, messenger.

The rules of the Decorum were read, as well as letters from the churches which were minuted in the statististical table. The Moderator then sent Elders W. M. Thompson and M. C: Cooper to the stand for Saturday afternoon to preach to the people.

White Oak, seven miles from Mebane, called for the next sectional meeting beginning on Friday, before the third Sunday in April, 1935. To be attended by Elders A. L. Cooper and E. R: Terrel: Another to be held at the church at Hayti, Durham, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in April; 1935: Elders C. M Wells and W. J: Jackson to attend same:

It was agreed to hold the next Association with the church at Pine Hill, in Person County, eight miles west of Helena; N. C. and to begin on Saturday before the first Sunday in August, 1935. Elder A. L. Cooper; was chosen to preach the introductory sermon. Elder C. M. Wells to alternate: The circular letter prepared by Brother Joe Graves, was read; received and ordered to be attached to the minutes. Elder I. P. Hayes was chosen to write the next Circular Letter.

The Durham Association desires to keep up correspondance with the upper country line Associations by minutes.

Conference closed in order.

Elder C. M. Wells, Moderator
Bro. S. A. Bass, Clerk
Bro. G. B. Bass, Ass't Clerk

Ministers and Addresses

Elder O. P. Hayes .. ..R. F. D: No: 3 Burlington, N: C:

Elder C. M. Wells .. .. R. F. D: No: 3 Cedar Grove, N: C:

Elder A. L. Cooper .. .. R. F. D: No: 2, Virginia, N: C:

Elder E. R. Terrell .. .. .. R. F. D: No: 2, Box 27, Greensboro; N: C:

Elder W. J. Jackson .. .. R. F. D: No: 3 Mathews N: C:

Elder W. R. Jackson .. .. Mathews, N. C.

Ministers accepting appointments to visit Sister Associations at their next setting areas are as follows:

Turner Swamp — Elders A. L. Cooper and C. M: Wells

They will also visit by appointment the little Kehuekee Association

Licentiates

M. Shaw, Stagville, N. C.

Hooper, Reidsville, N. C.

Willis Umstead, Durham, N. C.

John Lawson, Reidsville, N. C.

L. H. Harris, R. F. D. 2, Virgilina, Va.

Henry Leathers, Durham, N. C.

C. H. Royster. R. F. D. 4, Oxford, N. C.

G. B. Bass, Assistant Clerk Reidsville, N. C.

S. A. Bass, Association Clerk, 704 E. Pettigrew St.; Durham, N. C.

Church	Names of Messengers	Rec. by Baptism	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Membership	Contributions
Durham	S. A. Bass—O. V. Love	0	0	0	0	3	4	51	$10.00
Mill Grove	A. J. Harris—W. D. Dunigan	2	0	0	0	1	2	41	$10.00
White Oak	E. B. Rogers—James Wade	1	0	3	0	1	0	36	$ 8.00
Danbury	J. H. Smith—G. B. Bass	0	0	0	0	0	1	25	$ 7.00
New Center	Joe Graves—Albert Graves	3	0	0	0	0	1	66	$ 6.00
Pine Hill	George Morton—L. H. Harris	0	0	2	0	1	0	44	$10.00
Mt. Moriah	Ira Tapp—E. B. Vincent	0	0	1	0	1	4	34	$10.00
Mt. Pisgah	E. Neal—C. H. Tapp	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	$ 5.00
Phillippi	A. Brown—J. Cobb	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	$ ~~1.00~~ 2.50
Gethesamene	W. R. Jackson	0	0	0	0	0	0	~~12~~ 7	$ ~~2.50~~ 1.00
	Totals	6	0	6	0	7	12	328	

Totals from churches	$69.50
Cash from other sources	$26.52
Grand Total	$96.02

Disbursements

Paid Traveling Ministers	$37.52
Printing Minutes (500)	24.00
Clerk's Fee	10.00
Officers	16.00
Water and Ice	8.50
Total	$96.02

Circular Letter

To The Elders and Brothers:

Composing the Durham Association:

Dear Brothers:

As I was chosen by the Association and appointed to write the Circular Letter, to be read in the Association which is to be held with the church at New Center, Rockingham County, and according to the previous arrangement the time has arrived.

This supposed to commence Saturday, before the first Sunday in August, 1934. I believe God, according to his own will and his own purpose loves the people of this world with an everlasting love, and that he loved them before the foundation of the world. For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believed in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

For God sent not his son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth in God is not condemned, but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. So, I believe that this love is particular to the chosen people of God because they were saved in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Because one writer said—they have not done good nor evil,—for Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated. Therefore we poor dying sinners have nothing to boast upon concerning our Eternal Salvation.

For I believe that they were saved in Jesus Christ before they were born. So this love in Jesus Christ is everlasting. It has no beginning to it and it has no end because they are saved in Christ, but by man's own doing went into the ruin fall. By this everlasting love he was saved in Jesus Christ.

So brethern, it is not according to our works that save us, but according to the mercy and love that is in Jesus Christ.

A lot more I fell to say about this love in Jesus but as our minutes are so small I will admit. Hoping that the love of Jesus may be with you all now and at the Association, and into Eternity forevermore.

Yours in hope for a better world to come

Brother Joe E. Graves

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